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| VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(1) & 1,27(c))—SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN | | |
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| I hereby declare that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small defined in 13 CFR 121.12, and reproduced in 17 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced in 17 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of the concern, states Patent and Trademark Office, in that the number of employees of the concern, affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the concerns are affiliates or each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern business to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain we concern identified above with regard to the invention, entitled METHOD AND APPARA | iced faas to including the number of empt the persons of fiscal year or controls to control botton the small TUB FOR PROP | the United one of its oloyees of a comployed or has the the the the control of th |
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